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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **KURODA, Daisuke, et al.**

Group Art Unit: **1793**

Serial No.: **10/535,422**

Examiner: **ZHU, Weiping**

Filed: **December 19, 2005**

**P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 6152**

**FOR: MEDICAL DEVICE FOR LIVING SOFT TISSUE AND METHOD OF  
PRODUCTION OF SAME**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**  
**- EXPEDITED RESPONSE -**  
**GROUP ART UNIT 1793**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 11, 2008

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **September 15, 2008**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.